



Quota Club announces "Picnic Dansant III with a Silver Touch"

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The prestigious Renaissance Conference Center is the venue for the next big fundraising event of the Aruba Quota International Club to be held here on June 10th. This year's fundraising event has been dubbed, "Picnic Dansant III with a Silver Touch."

The 'silver touch' is in connection with the 25th anniversary of the existence of the Club. They are asking all their guests to come clad in something silver.

Quota Club is very pleased, as they look back over the 25 years, with all they were able to do during those years. They are especially happy for what they have done for those with impaired hearing on the island.

We recall Quota's yearly "Break the Silence" week giving the community the opportunity to do free hearing tests and to make the island aware of the isolation that people encounter when they lose their hearing.

For many years Quota Club has adopted Scol Scucha Nos. They would visit and/or organize different activities for the kids. Quota Club has also been instrumental in organizing together with the White Yellow Cross and FEPO (foundation

for those with impaired hearing), the program of hearing tests for all newborn babies on the island and to correct whatever hearing deficiency detected.

Aruba's Quota International Club has also been active on a yearly basis giving donations or assisting through volunteerism the young people of Kinderhuis Imeldahof, Casa Cuna, Cas pa Hobentud, YMCA and the Fundacion Muher den Dificultad. All of these institutions operate for the benefit of children and women and are always in need of help.

Quota Club of Aruba offers assistance to a large number of organizations in our community, to mention, Edmond Harms Foundation, the Koningin Wilhelmina Kankerfonds, FAVI, FUNARI, Fundacion Duna Un Man pa Cria Nos Muchanan, Fundacion Respetami, Fundacion Adopt an Addict, Colegio Arubano Social Funds, and many others.

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Obama: World behind strategy to exit Afghanistan

CHICAGO (AFP) - US President Barack Obama declared yesterday that the world was behind his strategy to end the war in Afghanistan, as more than 50 leaders gathered to hammer out a withdrawal plan at a key NATO summit.

The United States recognized the "hardship" Afghanistan had been through and realized its people "desperately want peace and security," Obama said as he met Afghan President Hamid Karzai on the

sidelines of the Chicago talks.

"What this NATO summit reflects is that the world is behind the strategy that we have laid out," he told reporters. "Now it is our task to implement it effectively."

Karzai said his country no longer wants to be a "burden," urging the international community to complete a security transition to his Afghan forces as it pulls out 130,000 troops by the end of 2014.

"Afghanistan... is looking

forward to an end to this war and a transformational decade in which Afghanistan will be working further for institution building and the development of sound governance in the country," Karzai said.

Countries with troops in Afghanistan have pledged roughly \$1 billion to help bankroll Afghan security forces once most NATO troops withdraw by the end of 2014, on top of funds promised by the United States, a Western official said.

Mark Zuckenberg ties the knot

SAN FRANCISCO (AFP) - Facebook CEO Mark Zuckerberg capped the week of a lifetime, changing his own status to married Saturday after wedding Priscilla Chan just a day after his company went public, he announced.

Zuckerberg posted a wedding picture with his bride, where else but on his Facebook page.

"Mark added a life event to May 19, 2012 on his timeline: Married Priscilla Chan," was the only description of the shot of the bride in white and the groom -- famous for his attachment to casual clothes -- all smiles in a dark suit and tie on his other big day.







Aruban students return all fired up Durable solutions for the from Washington D.C



ORANJESTAD -- Just recently, a group of 11 young people, students of the University of Aruba, IPA and members of our Youth Parliament, returned from an educational trip to Washington D.C. The purpose of the trip was to have these students experience a different system of public administration, civil service and government in general. The pilot program was dubbed, the "Young Ambassadors" program. Last Wednesday, the group of students gave a presentation of their experiences in Washington D.C. to the Prime Minister and Members of IPA, the

University of Aruba and the Youth Parliament.

It was very evident that these first students in this new program benefitted greatly from the experience; they returned impressed, and inspired by the experience. The program was obviously a smashing success.

The project, an initiative of the government received the support of the University of Aruba and their student organization. Much work from the University went into making the project a reality. Rector of the University, Dr. Thode, commented that..."in view of the results, the impact that the trip and the experience in Washington had on these students...it is necessary to explore how to continue with such a program."

Thode assured the group

that as Rector of the University, he will explore ways, together with his partners to structure similar projects for the future. Michelle Brooks, member of the Human Resources Management Team of the government, indicated that the vision of the government is to allow students of different schools and backgrounds to join together for a trip to Washington D.C. to learn more about civil service, processes of government in the USA. And, to bring back their experiences to Aruba and spread their new knowledge with other students, which would contribute to making Aruba an even better place to live.

The four days trip was a great success. The students visited different cites having to do with American history and with how that nation functions.

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future and organization of KIA



SAN NICOLAS -- The results of an analysis of Aruba's Correctional Institution KIA (local prison) developed into a project which entails durable solutions for the future and organization of our prison. This project was presented last Thursday to all stakeholders of KIA by the Minister of Justice.

Among the stakeholders were the unions representing employees, namely, TOPA and SEPPA. Both unions remarked that they were pleased with the well-prepared and transparent presentation they received. They believe that the carefully delineated decisions will translate into a more effective organization.

The Minister requested the contribution of both unions, TOPA and SEPPA in the process. They were charged with consulting their members, KIA employees, on the contents of the documents they received and then to meet with the Minister and his team again within a few weeks.

The analysis performed was very meticulous and indepth in order to arrive at the results. A list of the solutions derived will result in durable actions to create a 'new' KIA of integrity, order and secu-

According to the Minister of Justice, one of the primary goals is to achieve an effective management in KIA, and that the first steps have been taken to achieve a solid foundation that will result in a concrete plan for the formation of the future of the organization. Some of the cardinal aspects that were discussed in the meeting with the stakeholders were: the organizational structure, respect, order and security, training and career de-velopment of the employees.

After the unions have consulted with their members and have reported back to the Ministerial team, they will finalize the planning and begin the legal process to formalize and execute the plan. According to the Minister, what they want is a durable and effective solution.

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Should you consult a psychologist or therapist for your ADHD child?

Parents of ADHD children often live with their "hands up in the air" and almost at the point of desperation. They say things like..."I'm exhausted and at wits end corner..."

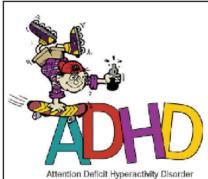
ADHD stands for Attention Deficit Hyperactive Disorder, and basically describes a child who is extremely and constantly active, who has a very limited attention span. These children cannot sit still for more than a few moments, and cannot focus on any one thing for more than a few moments. They are in constant motion and do not tire easily. Parents usually have no idea how to get them to slow down, or how to get their attention for any length of time. If you have an ADHD child, this pretty well describes you

Now, my question is, can taking such a child to a therapist or psychologist do any good? In this article, I want to, in a condensed manner, outline some of the benefits for getting professional help with your ADHD child. In my practice I have seen ADHD children and their parents make admirable progress in their daily behaviour and approach to the situation.

and your child.

First things first: Parents need to get a professional diagnosis of a child. The diagnosis should never come from a teacher or school administrator. I have had too many parents bring me a child that was diagnosed ADHD by a teacher, who was far from being ADHD!

Will Counselling help an ADHD child? If your child has been professionally diagnosed ADHD, counselling and/or coaching can be extremely helpful for YOU and your child. I emphasize the importance of the parent getting involved in the coun-



selling and not just the child. The parent must be involved in the counselling process. How a parent treats a child, reacts to the child, the tone used by a parent, the words parents say, the type of nurture and support a parent gives is crucial to the ADHD child. If a parent does not learn to change their parenting skills, the child can never learn nor change their behaviour in the family system. These skills are usually taught in the counselling process.

Parents need special support: While counselling and coaching the ADHD child, the parent will also be receiving support in ways to best help the ADHD child to succeed. The psychologist or therapist will help the parent understand what the child is experiencing and help the parent identify what the child needs most from the parent. The parent will learn behaviour management skills and explore options for dealing with the ADHD child's hyperactivity, forgetfulness, poor attention span, lack of motivation, impulsivity, and lack of task completion, etc.

Counselling/coaching will make a major difference: an ADHD child in counselling will learn social skills, organizational skills, and study skills. One of the objectives of the counsellor will be to help improve the child's self-esteem, how to

feel better about themselves and to understand their ADHD and how to deal with it. They will help the parent to create a healthy child/parent relationship.

Therapy Styles in counselling: In counselling/ coaching ADHD children, we use one of several therapy styles. One of the styles I use most frequently is what we call Cognitive Behaviour Therapy (CBT). This therapy style is very effective for helping ADHD children succeed. This type of therapy explores options for making thoughts, feelings and behaviour contribute to success in the child. We focus on building skills, on managing emotions, on developing interpersonal skills and general behaviour.

Play Therapy can also be effective: Sometimes, depending on the child and on the age of the child, I may use what we call Play Therapy. This can also be effective with certain children. This type of therapy recognizes that some children, particularly younger children, may not be capable of expressing their feelings. So, the Play Therapy is a way for the psychologist to interact with the child's fantasy and symbolic play. We have learned that children will often display their feelings through their play with dolls, trucks or through drawings and colourings. Research has proven that there is a lot of positive results from Play Therapy.

Support groups are extremely helpful: The ADHD child gets a great deal of support and encouragement from a support group; it helps to build their social skills. A therapist or psychologist will explain the value of such a support group and help guide you to such a group.

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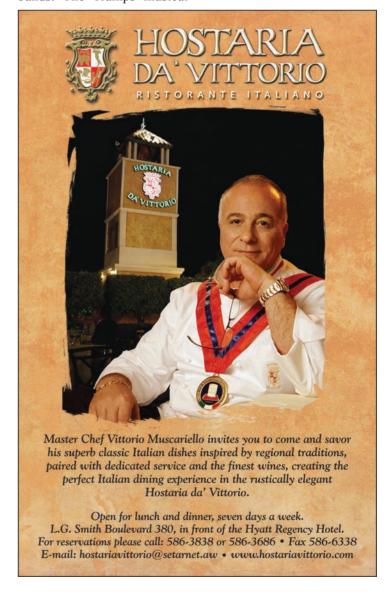
Each of these receives a yearly donation to continue their valuable work for the community.

The entrance fee (donation) for this year's fundraising event is Fls.150 per person. Your donation will enable Quota Club Aruba to continue their work of hearing protection/loss awareness and to make donations to the different needy organizations in our community. You will also enjoy a splendid event and be able to meet Quota's members personally. Your ticket will include a welcome drink, a delightful buffet style meal and the enjoyment of music by 3 bands. The Tramps musical

band will be there playing their 60's and 70's hits, BADU, and the Rincon Boyzz with their contagious music.

Quota looks forward to a massive attendance again this year. Come and contribute to putting a smile on the faces of those who help our community so faithfully and selflessly every year.

Tickets are available at: Gisel Boutique in Noord, Caribbean Queen in Palm Beach Plaza, T.H. Palm & Co at Playa Linda, Mrs. Minute, Surprise, and Maggy's in Oranjestad, and of course from all the members of Quota.



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TUESDAY AND FRIDAY:

Winning big time at Trop Club & Casino



Grand Prize winner Yolanda Roos

Aruba's Tropicana Resort is part of the famed U.S. chain and their friendly little casino located in Eagle Beach joined with nine other resorts scattered around the States to select a candidate for the \$250,000 Slot Star Championship coming up in June in Atlantic City.

Management of the casino and club stated they were very pleased and excited to be able to include their loyal patrons in this international tournament, with each resort awarding an all expense paid trip to Tropicana Resort Atlantic City and entrance fee into the Slot Star



Rosenau Maduro wins 2500 dollars



Sandra Tromp wins a one week stay in the Trop Penthouse

Championship. 300 entrants will have the chance to win a grand prize of \$100,000.

Trop Club & Casino de-

ployed the member point system to award virtual raffle tickets from April 1 through May 18 each time a player earned

lucky lady who won the trip to Atlantic City from June 7 to Ten prizes altogether were awarded on Saturday night, May 19, with second place

25 points. The drawing was done electronically, with a random casino guest chosen to

push the button and select a winner. Yolanda Roos was the

cash prize of \$2,500 going to Rosenau Maduro and 3rd prize of a one-week stay in the Tropicana Aruba penthouse suite won by Sandra Tromp. Casino Manager Wilfred Trimon and Marketing Manager Ruthline

Heward performed the honors. Other prizes included spa treatments at Etnika, dinners and hundreds of dollars in gift certificates from Mamuri Restaurant, along with generous play coupons at the casino.

Prior to the drawing, Trop rewarded 10 of their top players with a weekend stay at the Aruba resort and a fine dinner at Mamuri's, located adjacent to the casino, for their loyal patronage. It also insured they would be on hand if their name was called to win the grand prize trip, a requirement to collect. It was grand night for all, winners or not!

by Rosalie Klein



Your ADHD child...

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The parents of an ADHD child would also benefit enormously from a parent support group. Such a parent support group will provide parents with emotional support and some of the information they need for other resources they may need to help their child.

The most important message in this article is that your ADHD child will be greatly helped by getting professional help and the necessary coaching to make him/her a successful person. Keeping the ADHD child at home or simply going to school without getting the required professional coaching will do no good for his self-esteem and potential for success.

If this article was helpful, please do let me know at: tonygreen.themorningnews@hotmail.com

Aruban students return all fired up...

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They returned with enthusiasm and new knowledge... all fired up to share their experiences with others; and to apply some of what they learned here in Aruba.

Although this project was an initiative of the government, it must be viewed as a private program that was realized and supported by the educational camp and a large group of local sponsors. The idea now is for the University of Aruba and other educa-

tional insitutions to take over the project and to make this a yearly program of sending students abroad on educational excursions.

The students who participated in this first project were: Yuri Croes; Marie-Therese Croes; Rigmar Kock; Indira Chan; Collins John; Leanne Geerman; Ruell Wester; Eugene Caines; Esther Gomes; Tyson Lopez and Ziziane Flemming.



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Rockstars sighted at Senor Frog's 4th anniversary celebration



Arriving like a Rockstar in a stretch limosine

The famed calculated craziness of Senor Frog's and their lively crew was well in evidence on





5 burger folks and friends

Saturday evening as the popular Mexican restaurant/nightspot celebrated their 4 years since they opened on Aruba.

The joint was jumping with famous look-alikes as the theme for the grand fete was "Party like a Rock Star," awarding prizes for the guests who best imitated their favorite pop diva (male or female.) Entrance to the club was through the back seat of a

stretch limousine so everyone truly felt the part.

Senor Frog's Aruban Manager Chucho Z and his cohorts did a winning impersonation of Kiss, and all the crew at the famous eatery entertained with a speedy rendition of every line dance ever created, under the inventive direction of MC Samil.

The intense but good natured partying began at 5:00 PM to last all the night through, with local band Banzaai rocking Palm Beach until the wee hours. It was such a special event that former Aruban Manager Omar Licon, now GM of Senor Frog's Cancun and Rene



The Senor Frogs crazy crew

Alvarado, Regional Director of Senor Frog's traveled from far to join in the celebration and enjoy the distinctive excitement of Senor Frog's Aruba.

by Rosalie Klein



Rene Alvarado and Omar Licon with Manager Chucho



INTERNATIONAL N

Strong Italy quake kills at least six

FERRARA (AFP) - A powerful earthquake shook Italy's industrial and densely populated northeast early yesterday, killing at least six people, felling homes and factories and reducing historic buildings to rubble.

Emergency services said dozens had been injured in the magnitude 6.0 quake, which struck in the middle of the night, sending thousands of people running into the streets in towns and cities across the Emilia Romagna region.

Emergency workers were sifting through the rubble of collapsed buildings for victims hours after the quake and several aftershocks

Four of the dead were night-shift workers in factories which collapsed, including two who were crushed when the roof of a ceramics factory caved in. A 37-year-old German woman and another woman aged over 100 reportedly died from shock.

The quake caused "significant" damage to historic buildings as it rattled the cities of Bologna, Ferrara, Verona and Mantua, Italy's culture ministry said adding that it was carrying out "more detailed verifications with firemen and the civil defence service."



Cars are seen under rubble in Finale Emilia. Italy, after the earthquake,

Italian television showed many historic buildings, including churches, reduced to rubble. Cars were crushed under falling masonry, and the Civil Protection Agency evacuated hundreds of elderly and vulnerable people to makeshift communal shelters in Finale Emilia and towns near the epicenter.

Warehouses storing more than 300,000 wheels of Parmesan and Grana Padano, a similar cheese, with an estimated value of more than 250 million euros (\$320 million), also collapsed, an industry official said.

Authorities said the quake's epicenter was the commune of Finale Emilia, 36 kilometres

(22 miles) north of Bologna, at a depth of only 5.1 kilometers.

The region shaken by the quake is Italy's industrial heartland but also home to priceless architectural and art treasures. The historic centre of Ferrara is classified as a UNESCO World Heritage site.

Italian PM Mario Monti will return earlier than scheduled from the United States, where he is attending a NATO summit, to deal with the aftermath of a deadly school bombing and a fatal quake, his spokeswoman said yesterday.

NATO activates missile shield, vows no rush to exit Afghanistan

leaders yesterday activated the first phase of a US-led missile shield for Europe, risking to further anger Russia which has threatened to deploy rockets to EU borders to counter the system.

Ramstein, Germany.

The alliance insists the shield is not aimed at Russia and aims to knock out missiles that could be launched by enemies such as Iran, but Moscow fears that the system will also serve to neutralize its

"Missile defense is indispensable. We are faced with real missile threats," NATO Secretary General Anders Fogh Rasmussen said on the eve of the summit, adding that 30 states either have or seek ballistic missile technology.

CHICAGO (AFP) - NATO

The declaration by US President Barack Obama and his allies at a Chicago summit will put a US warship carrying interceptors in the Mediterranean and an earlywarning radar system under command of a NATO base in

nuclear deterrent.

"Against a real threat we **Tropical Storm Alberto** weakens off S.C. coast

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Havenstraat 36 Behind Royal Plaza Mall, Oranjestad, Tel: 5884494 CHARLESTON -- Tropical Storm Alberto had weakened slightly to 45 mph winds by yesterday afternoon.

The National Hurricane Center said Alberto was about 90 miles south of Charleston,

A tropical storm watch remained in effect from the Savannah River to South Carolina's Santee River. The Hurricane Center advised people on the coast from Georgia to North Carolina's Outer Banks to monitor the storm and warned of dangerous surf

conditions.

Alberto was named a tropical storm Saturday upon forming in the Atlantic. Tropical storms occasionally occur before the official June 1 start of the hurricane season.

Following the list of names for the 2011 tropical storms.

Alberto, Beryl, Chris, Debby, Ernesto, Florence, Gordon, Helene, Isaac, Joyce, Kirk, Leslie, Michael, Nadine, Oscar, Patty, Rafael, Sandy, Tony, Valerie, William

need a real defense," he said.

The standoff has tested Russian-US relations for much of the past decade and been one of the primary issues addressed by Obama when he launched a diplomatic "reset" with Moscow in

Russian military chief General Nikolai Makarov said this month one option was for Russia to station short-range Iskander missiles in its Kaliningrad exclave near Poland, a long-running threat that has alarmed Eastern European states.

NATO had hoped that Russian President Vladimir Putin would come to Chicago, but instead he sent a lower level delegation to represent Moscow during the summit's discussion on Afghanistan.

Putin, who returned to power after succeeding his protege Dmitry Medvedev this month, was often at odds with the previous US administration over missile defense in his first two terms of office.

Meanwhile, NATO chief Anders Fogh Rasmussen vowed yesterday there would be no rush to the exits in Afghanistan as more than 50 world leaders gathered for the defense alliance's biggest summit in history.

"Our summit has three key priorities: keeping Afghanistan secure now and in the years to come, keeping NATO strong and capable in the 21st century and keeping our global network of partners solid," Rasmussen told reporters.

Despite plans by France to speed up its own pullout, he pledged: "There will be no rush for the exits. We will stay committed to our operation in Afghanistan and see it through to a successful end."



Blast near UN monitors as Damascus rocked by clashes

DAMASCUS (AFP) - A rocket-propelled grenade exploded near a team of UN observers in a Damascus suburb yesterday, the military said, as clashes between regime troops and armed rebels raged in and around the Syrian capital.

No one was hurt in the Douma blast, which came as UN truce mission head Major General Robert Mood and peacekeeping chief Herve Ladsous were leading a team of observers around the north Damascus suburb, an AFP cor-

respondent at the scene said.

But elsewhere in the country at least 48 people were killed, including 34 in an assault by Syrian regime forces on a village in central Hama province, the Syrian Observatory for Human Rights said.

Syrian regime forces rained shells on the village of Souran in Hama, it said, describing the deaths as a "massacre" and urging UN truce observers to deploy immediately in the area.

The device in Douma, a

rocket propelled-grenade according to a Syrian army officer in the area, exploded just a few dozen meters from the UN team.

The UN observers did not comment on the nature of the explosion, but urged all parties to stop fighting.

He lamented failure by all parties in Syria to respect a UN-backed ceasefire which technically went into effect on April 12, days only before the first UN observers arrived to monitor the truce.

Scotland: Megrahi death justifies early prison release

LONDON (AFP) - The death of the only man convicted of the Lockerbie bombing yesterday vindicates Scotland's decision to free him from prison early in 2009, Scottish First Minister Alex Salmond said.

Salmond said Abdelbaset Ali Mohmet al-Megrahi's death from prostate cancer "confirms what we have always said about his medical condition".

Scottish authorities released Megrahi on compassionate grounds in August 2009, causing outrage in the US and Britain.

Critics claimed that the re-

lease was motivated by Britain's desire to secure cheap oil from Libya.

A Scottish court sitting in the Netherlands in 2001 convicted Megrahi of the 1988 attack on Pan Am flight 103 over the Scottish town of Lockerbie which resulted in the deaths of 270 people, mostly Americans.

The move was condemned by the US government and British Prime Minister David Cameron said yesterday Megrahi "should never have been released from prison."

However, Salmond argued the decision was proven to have been taken in good faith, was based on the traditions of Scottish law and had substantial support domestically and internationally.

Megrahi had always maintained his innocence and his brother Abdelhakim said after his death yesterday that he was the "scapegoat" of Moamer Kadhafi's regime and his death had "left us with the feeling of injustice."

Salmond said Scottish authorities would continue to investigate such claims.

"It has always been the Crown's position that Mr Megrahi did not act alone but with others," he said.



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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Chen starts life in US as China stays quiet

NEW YORK (AFP) - Blind Chinese dissident Chen Guangcheng began his new life in the United States yesterday after a warm welcome but in Beijing he leaves behind a diplomatic mess that may prevent him ever returning home.

Chen, a self-taught lawyer, landed in New York with his wife and two young children on Saturday to a rapturous reception from his hosts and he quickly praised the "restraint and calm," shown by the Chinese government in his case.

The 40-year-old, who is to become a research fellow at New York University's School of Law, has repeatedly said he is not seeking exile in the United States and may one day want to go back to China.

But the Chinese government's decision to allow a convicted citizen to leave its territory just weeks after he managed to flee house arrest and caused them huge international embarrassment is unlikely to be forgotten, analysts said.

"It will be very difficult," retired Shandong University professor Sun Wenguang told AFP. "The authorities will not welcome him back.

"He brought on diplomatic turmoil and became a focus of

the international press."

A leading US Senator whose portfolio includes foreign affairs said yesterday that Washington should use Chen's arrival to address Beijing's shortcomings on the global stage, regardless of economic considerations.

"This is an opportunity for the American government and people to re-engage China about their human rights records," Senator Lindsey Graham told CBS television's "Face the Nation" program.

"This opportunity exists through this brave man to raise our moral voice and tell China we want to do business with you, but you better change your behavior."

One of China's best-known activists, Chen won praise for investigating forced sterilizations and late-term abortions under China's "one-child" family planning policy.

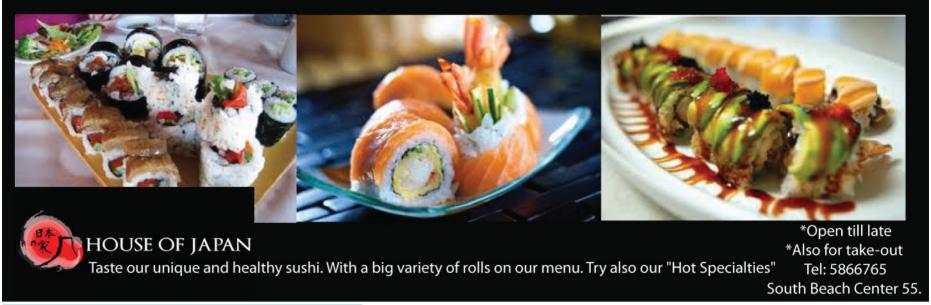
He served over four years in prison and on his release from jail in 2010, he was subjected to house arrest in his home village in eastern China.

But he made a dramatic escape in April, eventually securing sanctuary at the US embassy in Beijing in a step that prompted a diplomatic tumult

Police, protesters face off at NATO summit in Chicago



Chicago police and other law enforcement were out in force over the weekend, as protesters streamed into Chicago to demonstrate against NATO on the sidelines of the Afghanistan war summit.



Health & Living

The Importance of A healthy breakfast



Even though you know a healthy breakfast has many benefits, you may not be sure what exactly counts as a healthy breakfast.

Here's what forms the core of a healthy breakfast: *Whole grains. Examples include whole-grain rolls, bagels, hot or cold whole-grain cereals, low-fat bran muffins, crackers, or Melba toast.Eggs.

* Low-fat protein. Examples include peanut butter, lean meat, poultry or fish, or hard-boiled eggs.

* Low-fat dairy. Examples include skim milk, low-fat yogurt and low-fat cheeses, such as cottage and natural cheeses.

* Fruits and vegetables. Examples include fresh or frozen fruits and vegetables, 100 percent juice beverages without added sugar, or fruit and vegetable smoothies. Choose low-sodium versions of beverages, though.

Together, these core groups provide complex carbohydrates, fiber, protein and a small amount of fat — a combination that packs big health benefits and that also can leave you feeling full for hours.

Benefits for adults

When you eat a healthy breakfast, you're more likely to:

*Eat more vitamins and minerals

*Eat less fat and cholesterol *Have better concentration and productivity throughout the morning

*Control your weight

*Have lower cholesterol, which may reduce your risk of heart disease

Benefits for children

Breakfast is especially important for children and adolescents. According to the American Dietetic Association, children who eat a healthy breakfast are more likely to:

*Meet daily nutrient requirements

*Concentrate better

*Have better problem-solving skills

*Have better hand-eye coordination

*Be more alert

options.

*Be more creative

*Miss fewer days of school *Be more physically active If you skimp on breakfast, you'll miss out on important health benefits. Learn what makes a breakfast nutritious, and get some out-of-the-box

Woman With Flesh-Eating Disease Loses Hands, Right Foot

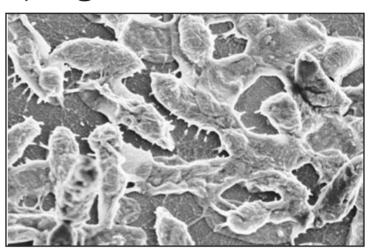
ATLANTA, Georgia - Aimee Copeland's a young Georgia woman fighting a rare flesheating bacterial infection loses her hands and her right leg.

Doctors had previously hoped that they would only have to amputate the fingers and could save her palms, which had been purple, were slowly healing and turning pink.

But on Thursday, doctors saw that the palms which had returned to "their splotchy purplish coloration" and were "hampering her recovery" and told her family of the devastating news that they will need to amputate her hands to ensure her survival.

Aimee is in critical condition at Augusta Hospital since Saturday.

Copeland suffered a huge gash in her leg in a zip-line accident and fell into the Little Tallapoosa River near Carrollton, Georgia, on May 1. She developed necrotizing fasciitis, a bacterial infection that destroys soft tissue.



This image provided by UTMB-Galveston shows a scanning electron microscopic image of WT (wild type) Aeromonas hydrophila strain SSU, the bacteria responsible for the flesh-eating disease that is usually caused by a strep germ.

Necrotizing or "flesh-eating" soft-tissue infections are a broad category of infections with many causes, although Group A Streptococcus is the most common culprit. Doctors blamed Copeland's infection on the Aeromonos hydrophila bacteria, which are found in fresh or brackish water and may have entered the wound when she fell into the river.

Aimee Copeland, 24, "shed no tears, she never batted an eyelash," her father, Andy Copeland, wrote on Facebook on Friday about the conversation he and his wife had with their daughter the day before.

"I was crying because I am a proud father of an incredibly courageous young lady," Copeland wrote.

Chavez says he is 'no longer hard-charging horse'

CARACAS (AFP) - Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez said on week-end he was making a "progressive recovery" from a course of radiation therapy he underwent earlier this month in Cuba, but admitted he was suffering from a lack of physical strengths.

"I am making a progressive recovery," Chavez said in a telephone conversation with state-controlled television.

But he admitted that his cancer treatment had affected his physical strength and that he was no longer, as he put it, "a hard-charging horse of before."

"I used to pass sleepless nights," he said. "Now I work eight hours as mandated by the law. I rest and I follow a diet."

He said he was feeling what he described as the "normal effect of radiotherapy" that he underwent in Cuba in an attempt to beat back his cancer.

Chavez, who returned from Havana on May 11, did not offer any other details about his condition.

Chavez, 57, has undergone surgery twice in the past year to remove cancerous tumors, and has had chemotherapy followed by radiation treatments to try to rid himself of the can-

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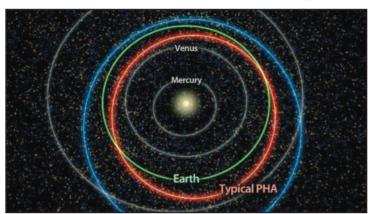
He has not disclosed the type of cancer he has or the prognosis, which, with presidential elections looming in October, has fueled political uncertainty at home.

Last month, Chavez put his health and political future in the spotlight, begging at a pre-Easter mass: "Please don't take me yet."

"Give me your crown of thorns, Christ, I will bleed; Give me your cross -- 100 crosses -- and I will carry them for you. But give me life, because I still have things to do for my people and my country," Chavez said.

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4,700 potentially dangerous asteroids lurk near Earth, NASA says



This diagram illustrates the differences between orbits of a typical near-Earth asteroid (blue) and a potentially hazardous asteroid, or PHA (orange). PHAs have the closest orbits to Earth's orbit, coming within 5 million miles (about 8 million kilometers), and they are large enough to survive passage through Earth's atmosphere and cause significant damage. (NASA/JPL-Caltech)

A new NASA survey has pinned down the number of asteroids that could pose a collision threat to Earth in what scientists say is the best estimate yet of the potentially dangerous space rocks.

The survey found there are likely 4,700 potentially hazardous asteroids, plus or minus 1,500 space rocks, that are larger than 330 feet (100 meters) wide and in orbits that occasionally bring them close enough to Earth to pose a concern, researchers said. To date, only about 30 percent of those objects have actually been found, they added.

Potentially hazardous asteroids, or PHAs in NASA-speak, are space rocks in orbits that come within 5 million miles (8 million kilome-

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ters) of Earth and are large enough to cause damage on regional or global scale if they were ever to hit our planet.

The new study was based on observations from NASA's Wide-field Infrared Survey Explorer (WISE), an infrared space telescope. While the telescope data returned an estimate of the potentially dangerous near-Earth asteroid population that is similar to previous projections, it also revealed some surprising new results.

According to the survey, about twice as many asteroids are in so-called "lower-inclination orbits" — which are more closely aligned with Earth's path around the sun than other objects — than previously thought researchers said. [Video: WISE Telescope's Asteroid Census]

"A possible explanation is that many of the PHAs may have originated from a collision between two asteroids in the main belt lying between Mars and Jupiter," NASA officials explained in a statement. "A larger body with a low-inclination orbit may have broken up in the main belt, causing some of the fragments to drift into orbits closer to Earth and eventually become PHAs."

Those low-inclination space rocks also appear to be smaller and brighter than other near-Earth asteroids and are more likely to encounter Earth, researchers said.

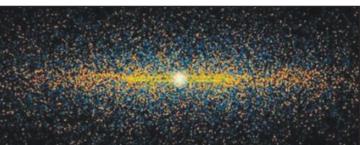
"Our team was surprised to find the overabundance of low-inclination PHAs," Amy Mainzer, of NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, Calif., said in a statement. Mainzer is principal investigator of WISE's asteroid-hunting mission, which is called NEOWISE.

"Because they will tend to

make more close approaches to Earth, these targets can provide the best opportunities for the next generation of human and robotic exploration."

Scientists made the new near-Earth asteroid estimate based on observations of 107 asteroids by WISE, which launched in 2009 and mapped the entire sky twice before ending its primary mission in 2011. Before shutting down, the observatory made a concerted search for near-Earth asteroids as part of an extended mission dubbed NEO-WISE.

The \$320 million WISE telescope snapped images of about 600 near-Earth asteroids, with about 135 of them being completely new discoveries. The telescope also observed millions of other objects, including distant



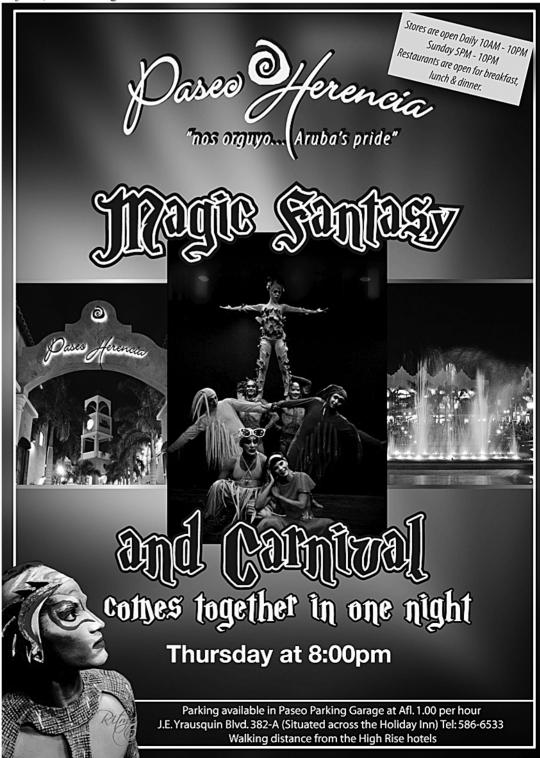
NEOWISE survey has found that more potentially hazardous asteroids, or PHAs, are closely aligned with the plane of our solar system than previous models suggested. PHAs are the subset of near-Earth asteroids (NEAs) with the closest orbits to Earth's orbit, coming within 5 million miles (about 8 million kilometers). (NASA/JPL-Caltech)

galaxies and star nurseries.

"NASA's NEOWISE project, which wasn't originally planned as part of WISE, has turned out to be a huge bonus," Mainzer said. "Everything we can learn about these objects helps us understand

their origins and fate."

During its asteroid hunt, the WISE telescope searched for space rocks within about120 million miles (195 million km) of the sun. For comparison, the Earth is about 93 million miles (150 million km) from the sun.





















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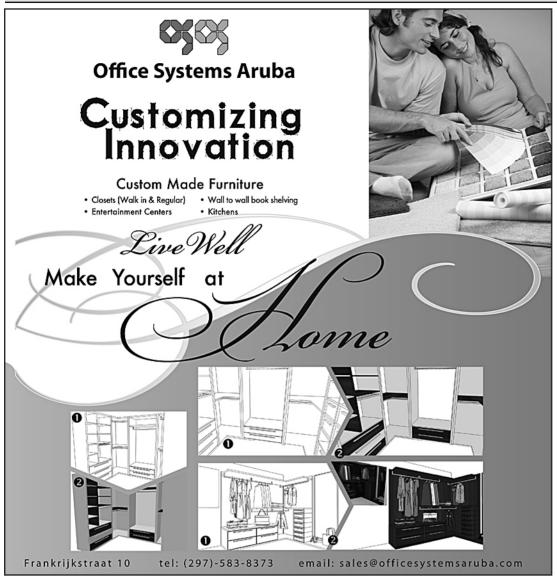
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Italy's Monti says Greeks want to stay in eurozone

:Prime Minister Mario Monti yesterday he was convinced that Greeks want to stay in the euro but the crisis had shown that more European Central Bank involvement was likely needed.

"Greeks want to stay in the euro," Monti said in an interview on CNN.

"Not all Greeks are ready to do what is necessary to stay in the euro, but I think as we approach the 17th of June election date, the feeling in Greece is that it's crucial for their country."

His comments were made shortly before his decision to cut short his stay at a NATO summit here and return to Italy to deal with the aftermath of a deadly school bombing and a fatal earthquake.

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Greeks are expected back at the polls on June 17, only a few weeks after a May 6 ballot that returned a majority for anti-austerity or anti-European Union parties but failed to deliver a workable coalition government.

Monti, fresh from G8 talks at President Barack Obama's Camp David retreat outside the US capital, said a balance had to be struck with Athens on measures to promote growth and on previous pledges it made to its European partners.

"Certainly Europe cannot, of course, abandon or even substantially undermine and reduce the commitments it asked of Greece in order to help it," the Italian premier said. "I think an equilibrium will be found."

Asked if further help from the European Central Bank would be needed, Monti replied: "Of course, it is the most fundamental mission of the ECB... to see to it that the euro is safeguarded in its integrity.

"So I think against this background, the ECB, the EU institutions and the Greek authorities, or what is left of them in the process of reaching the new elections, will find a solution.

"It would not be the first time in the history of the EU that when Europe is really bumping into the wall all of a sudden, minds are focused, political wills converge and the solution is found. But it is a critical situation."

At Camp David, G8 leaders said they wanted debt-stricken Greece to stay in the eurozone but the group papered over deep-seated divisions about how best to tackle the crisis.

Weaker euro zone nations need more support from core: UK

LONDON - The euro zone can protect its currency if its stronger countries provide more support for the weaker to help them deal with their problems, British finance minister George Osborne said in a newspaper yester-

day.

"Euro zone countries must either stand behind their currency or face up to the prospect of Greek exit, with all the risks that could involve," Osborne wrote in The Sunday Times



Finance

Barron's: Facebook shares could fall below IPO price

Shares in social media company Facebook Inc (FB.O) could fall below the initial public offering price of \$38, Barron's wrote in its May 21 edition. Barron's is America's premier financial magazine. It provides in-depth analysis and commentary on the markets, updated every business day online.

Facebook saw its shares rise a scant 0.6 percent to \$38.23 on Friday in the first day of trading.

The stock stayed above the \$38 IPO price, supported in the market by the deal's underwriters. But Barron's said the "big question" this week will be whether they continue to do so.

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Its shares still look overpriced compared with rivals such as Google Inc (GOOG.O), and all the more so given Facebook's challenges in drawing revenue from mobile device users, the financial weekly wrote.

Facebook's shares also face the prospect of pressure from heavy sales of stock between now and the end of 2012 if early and inside investors get rid of shares ahead of a potential rise in capital gains taxes, according to Barron's.

Google says it has China's approval for Motorola deal



-- Google said on Saturday that Chinese authorities have approved its \$12.5 billion purchase of Motorola Mobility Holdings, the last regulatory hurdle to a deal that would allow the world's No. 1 Internet search engine to develop its own line of smart phones

Google, which will be the newest entrant to the handset market, announced plans for the acquisition last year in a bid to secure Motorola's valuable patents and pave the way for a pairing of Google's Android mobile software and Motorola's handset business.

U.S. and European regulators approved the deal in February, leaving only the Chinese regulators as potential spoilers.

Google, whose Android software is the top operating system for Internet-enabled smart phones, wants phonemaker Motorola for its 17,000 patents and 7,500 patent applications, as it looks to compete with rivals such as Apple Inc. and defend itself and Android phone manufacturers in patent litigation.

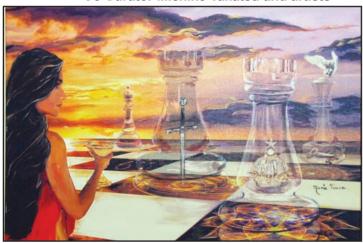
A main condition of the deal is that the Android system remain free and open for five years, said a source who is familiar with the Chinese approval but not authorized to discuss it.



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Co Curator Michiko Takatsu and artists



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Carol Habibe and her wine case

The bi-annual Aruba Wine, Food & Art Festival hosted by the Westin Resort in Palm Beach is rapidly approaching at the beginning of June and art aficionados can enjoy a preview of this year's collection of art, now on display at the Westin Art Gallery until July.

The group exhibit of 25 works by 24 artists approach the theme of the festival, a celebration of the senses, from some very unique vantage points; many are homage to fine wine or food, others, like Margriet Blanken's abstract piece, or Nigel Matthew's "Af-

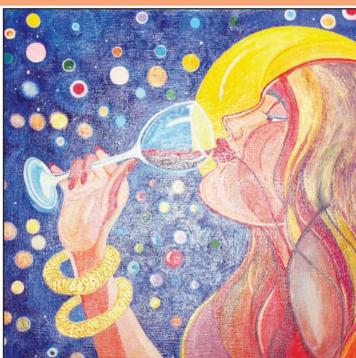
Nigel Matthew's "Aftermath," leave it entirely up to the imagination of the viewer.

The gala opening on Saturday evening, May 19, attracted a diverse audience appreciative of art and culture, the exhibit curators Eduardo Valbuena and Michiko Takatsu expressed their satisfaction with this year's collection of works, with some new names joining the roster.

Other exhibiting artists include: Adolfo Valbuena, Agaath van Vliet, Anita Hugen, Anita Seuren, Annemiek van Vliet, Carole Habibe, Deisy Gutierrez, Desiree Rep-Sporkslede, Edith Creutzberg de Haak, Edmond Tujeehut, Elvis Tromp, Frank Croes, hendrik Shouten, Irene Peterson, Joseph Miklojcik, Maria Teresa Martinez, Mavalda Tromp, Michiko Takatsu, Mirella Koolman, Miriam de L'Isle, Pablo Portugal and Timothy Charles.

The Westin Gallery, located of the resort's main lobby near the concierge desk, is open to the public 24/7. Curators and sales representatives are usually on hand on Wednesday and Friday afternoon; inquires about purchasing a work can by made by calling 588-2267, 565-2608 or 740-2678.

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Megrahi: Hero for some, mass murderer for many

TRIPOLI, Libya (AFP) - Abdelbaset Ali Mohmet al-Megrahi, who died aged 60 on Sunday, was hailed as a hero by some in Moamer Kadhafi's Libya, but reviled as a mass murderer by families of the 270 people killed in the 1988 Lockerbie bombing.

The Libyan, who maintained his innocence until the very end, is thought to have taken to the grave many secrets of the bombing attack on a Pan Am airliner over the Scottish town of Lockerbie in 1988.

However, in a December interview Megrahi told several British newspapers that a book being written by investigative journalist John Ashton would clear his name.

On Sunday, soon after his death was announced, his brother Mohammad insisted the man dubbed as the "Lockerbie bomber" was not guilty of the attack.

"All the darkness of the universe will never cover the flame of the candle which is the truth," Mohammad Megrahi told AFP.

"Within the last decade more than 10 babies have been born in this family of Abdelbaset Megrahi. One day these Abdelbaset babies will get an apology from the world."

Megrahi suffered from prostate cancer and was hospitalised for a few days in April before he was sent back home to be with his family. On April 16, his other brother Abdelhakim al-Megrahi, said his days "were numbered."

A Scottish court in 2001 convicted Megrahi of the 1988 attack on Pan Am flight 103 over the Scottish town of Lockerbie, but he was released on compassionate grounds in 2009 after doctors said he had only three months to live.

Most of those killed in the bombing of the Boeing 747 jet headed from London to New York were Americans. All 259 passengers and crew were killed, along with 11 people on the ground.

On his release on August 20, 2009, Megrahi was greeted as a hero in Kadhafi's Libya by some, after having served eight years of a minimum 27-year sentence for his role in the bombing.

An unnamed Libyan official in the regime of Kadhafi had at the time said Megrahi was a "hero who sacrificed himself to lift the (international) embargo on our country."

"To allow him to spend the remainder of his days in his homeland is the least that Libya can offer this man who has been the victim of an international injustice."

His return to Libya was the first time he had set foot on his native soil since 1999, when he and co-accused Al Amin Khalifa Fhimah were handed over by Libya for trial after years of diplomatic wrangling.

The pair were originally indicted in 1991 for the Pan Am attack following an investigation by British and US police. Fhimah was later acquitted.

At his trial, which started in 2000 and was held in the Netherlands under Scots law, Megrahi, a fluent English speaker, cut an aristocratic figure in the dock. The tall, lean and serious man turned out in a long traditional Libyan robe.

He was working as chief of airline security for Libyan Arab Airlines in Malta at the time of the attack.

But US detectives claimed his airline work served as a cover for a role with the Libyan Secret Service.

Crucial evidence against Megrahi came from a shopkeeper in Malta who identified him as the man who bought clothing linked to the suitcase containing the bomb.

In his December interview with British dailies, Megrahi claimed that he had "never seen" the Maltese shopkeeper.

Gold Coast Aruba: Great savings for large families on holiday rentals



Aruba's newest and most innovative gated community has enjoyed steady sales since breaking ground, as many are finding the secure surroundings and outstanding amenities are just what they were looking for before considering purchasing property on the island. Some owners are using the villas or town homes as vacation retreats rather than full time and are taking advantage of Gold Coast's rental services to turn their investment into ready in-

"The greater portion of home owners are using their "home away from home" in Aruba to escape the winter months, or spend holidays with the family on the island," noted Gold Coast developer Fito Croes. To assist in the demand for more complete facilities for groups and families, famed hotelier Ed Malone has been placed in charge of the rental program.

Staying at Gold Coast is a very attractive proposition for those traveling with groups that would require multiple hotel rooms. Two and three bedroom Villas or Town Homes accommodate large 🗎 numbers and offer extensive amenities along with a final cost resulting in considerable savings. The community is lminutes to the best beaches and all the casino action, and offers a quiet and secluded getaway with two swimming pools and specialized services with more on the way, such as a fitness room, tennis courts and mini-mall. Ed can arrange maid service, babysitters, caterers, airline pick-up

and drop-off; they even boast a shopping service to stock your shelves before arrival.

Gold Coast accommodations are elegant and spacious, offering privacy for parents or a few couples. high-speed fiber-optic Internet connection, individual washer/dryer, and are fully air-conditioned. Cribs, high chairs and hair dryers are available for a modest fee. Concierge services to arrange



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Van Persie ready his mark at Euro



THE HAGUE (AFP) - Having shaken off his injury woes to emerge as one of Europe's deadliest strikers, Robin van Persie's next challenge is to make an impact at a major international tournament with the Netherlands.

The 2011-12 season was without doubt the finest of the Dutchman's career, as he scored 30 goals for Arsenal to finish as top scorer in the Premier League, earning himself multiple recognition at the end-of-season award ceremonies.

After making only 25 league appearances in the previous season, van Persie played in every game of Arsenal's most recent campaign, suggesting that the injuries that stunted his progress in the past are now behind him.

With 37 goals in all competitions, the 28-year-old placed himself in the company of Europe's most prolific goalscor-

His next assignment is to leave a mark at Euro 2012.

Van Persie was a member of the Dutch side that reached the final at the last World Cup in

2010 but he scored just one goal en route and failed to make a lasting impression on the tournament. His agitation was, at times,

plain to see, such as when he reacted angrily to being substituted by coach Bert van Marwijk after another goalless showing in the last-16 success against Slovakia.

He was a member of the Dutch squad at both the 2006 World Cup and Euro 2008 but in both tournaments he was used mainly as an impact player.

Now, though, he is one of the most feared forwards in the game and will spearhead the 4-2-3-1 formation introduced by Marco van Basten and kept in place by his successor van Marwijk.

With his intuitive movement, deft footwork and precise shooting, van Persie is an untypical striker but Arsenal's third-place Premier League finish owed much to the club captain's unerring eye for goal.

"He is like Lionel Messi in the positional sense," says Arsenal coach Arsene Wenger. "He doesn't play like a real centre-forward but if you look at his movement, he is very intelligent because of his diago-

"And his first touch is so good that in tight spaces he can make a difference, also because he has a very short backlift for a big guy.'

For all his fine form, van Persie's place in the Dutch starting XI is not as secure as it might appear.

He may have bagged six goals in qualifying but Klaas-Jan Huntelaar scored 12 and the Schalke striker also netted 29 goals in the Bundesliga to claim Germany's version of the golden boot.

striker position that he has not

adopted for Arsenal for some years.

Given the strength of Holland's group, however, van Marwijk is likely to err on the side of caution, which should mean van Persie starting on his own up front against Denmark, Germany and Portugal in Group B.

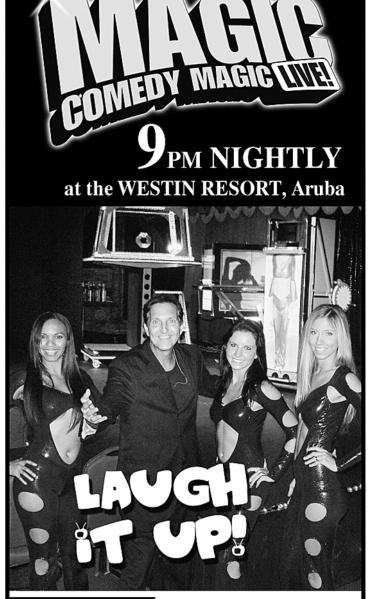
"Playing with your national team always differs from representing your club," he told World Soccer magazine recently.

"At Arsenal I train with the boys every day but with Holland it is once in a while for a short period. You cannot compare the two.

"Nearer to a tournament, though, we have more time to train, play together and adjust to each other, so it's something we are used to."

The Netherlands have regularly been cited among the favourites in the build-up to the competition but how far they go may well depend on how quickly van Persie can adapt to the unique demands of tournament football.

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The two players were occasionally deployed alongside each other in qualifying but that obliged van Persie to play in a right-wing or support-

'Injured' Rooney fit for Euros - Hodgson



LONDON (AFP) - England striker Wayne Rooney is recovering from a minor injury but will be fully fit for his expected return during the group stages at Euro 2012, manager Roy Hodgson has revealed.

Rooney is suspended for England's opening Group D games against France and Sweden but is likely to come back into Hodgson's starting line-up for the final first round match against Ukraine.

Hodsgon revealed that the 26-year-oldManchester United star -- who was photographed holidaying in Las Vegas on Saturday -- would be excused from next week's friendly against Norway in

He will then link up with England on May 29 in time for England's final warm-up game against Belgium at Wembley

on June 2.

"The fitness side doesn't bother me. If he needs a bit of topping up we will do that. But his enthusiasm for the task was fantastic." said Hodgson.

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Hodgson meanwhile revealed he had decided against an approach to United veteran Paul Scholes for the Euros, believing England had enough options in midfield for the tournament.

"I am a great admirer, like everyone," Hodgson said. "If I was to select him it would have been a case of leaving out a (Frank) Lampard, a (Steven) Gerrard, or (Gareth) Barry, who have all played a big part in getting us there."

NBA- Thunder steal another to put Lakers on brink

LOS ANGELES (AFP) - Kevin Durant hit the go-ahead three pointer with 13 seconds left to lift the Oklahoma City Thunder to a 103-100 win over Los Angeles to put the Lakers on the brink of elimination.

With the score tied 98-98 Durant hit a 25-foot jumper over Lakers Metta World Peace, capping a fourth quarter rally for the Thunder who trailed for much of Saturday's game.

We just kept believing and helping each other out on defence. Everybody chipped in," said Durant

The Lakers led by 13 points with just under eight minutes to play but the Thunder wouldn't quit, going on a 25-9 run to close the game spearheaded by Russell Westbrook and Durant.

Durant finished with 31 points, 13 rebounds and Westbrook had a team-high 37 points for the Thunder who lead the Western Conference series three games to one.

The Thunder can wrap up the series with a win in game five on Monday in Oklahoma.

Kobe Bryant once again carried the Lakers on his back, but he couldn't do it alone. Bryant scoring eight of his team's final 10 points and finished with a game-high 38



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The Lakers were their own worst enemy at times as Pau Gasol made a bad pass that led to a turnover and the go-ahead three pointer, and then World Peace failed to guard Durant on the shot.

Guard James Harden drained two free throws with seven seconds left to make it 103-98 and help seal the win. Bryant hit a two pointer at the buzzer to close out the scoring.

Centre Andrew Bynum said the Lakers got complacent after they compiled their biggest lead of the game at 13 points.

"We were up 13 and they started scoring easy baskets and then they just grinded it out with Westbrook and Durant," said Bynum, who finished with 18 points and nine rebounds.

For the second time in the series the Lakers failed to hold a lead. After getting blown out in game one, the Lakers led for much of game two but couldn't close the deal down the stretch.

World Peace said everybody shares the blame in Saturday's loss.

"They set a lot of screens. I thought they were going to set a screen so I didn't get up too close on him (Durant). Everybody has to do their part. That was a team malfunction," World Peace said.

Harden had another solid performance for the Thunder who earned their first road playoff win over the Lakers in their last 15 tries. Harden finished with 12 points.



Tennis: Sharapova wins Rome, fans rage at men final call-off

ROME (AFP) - Maria Sharapova won her second straight Rome title on Sunday, defeating China's Li Na 4-6, 6-4, 7-6 (7/5), in a match full of momentum shifts, a lengthy rain delay, and noisy distractions from football fans.

A frustrating day at the sodden Foro Italico ended in anger as spectators tossed plastic water bottles onto the court after the high-profile men's final between Novak Djokovic and Rafael Nadal was postponed until today.

The weather was mainly responsible and the decision was only made after heated discussions between the tournament and the ATP, some conducted on the court after the women's event ended.

But another reason for postponing the men's final was due to worries over security, with thousands of football fans in the vicinity of the Foro Italico.

Officials and police were wary of tennis fans mixing with rival football supporters heading to Sunday night's Italian Cup final between Juventus and Napoli at the Olympic Stadium, just a few hundred metres away.

World number two Sharapova claimed her 26th career trophy, but it was a struggle for the Russian, who found herself 6-4, 4-0 down before the players were forced off by rain for over two hours just as the final set tie-break was about to commence.

Sharapova now leads Li 7-4 in their head-to-head series, with the Chinese player coming close to winning her first title since claiming her historic

French Open crown last June.

Sharapova added a second Rome crown to the Stuttgart claycourt title she earned in April.

During the women's final, hovering helicopters, exploding fireworks and groups of chanting football fans outside the fenced-off courts made for distractions.

Sharapova and Li were sent off court with the third set poised at a tie-break to decide the match. They came back more than two hours later and played seven additional minutes before Sharapova prevailed.

As steady rain fell, the determined pair played on, with a brief stoppage at the two-and-a-half-hour mark while they sat in their chairs.



THE MORNING NEWS Monday, May 21, 2012 Tens of thousands greet victorious Chelsea team ' 2012 Champions League ' home



Chelsea's players lift the Champions League for the first time after their dramatic win over Bayern Munich.



LONDON (AFP) - Tens of thousands of Chelsea fans gave their team a hero's welcome on Sunday as they made an open-top bus parade through their west London home after their Champions League win over Bayern Mu-

Blue-clad fans lined the streets and roared their delight as the hero of Saturday's victory, Didier Drogba, held the trophy aloft, flanked by captain John Terry, who was suspended for the final in Munich.

The bus was emblazoned with a banner proclaiming 'Champions of Europe' and Drogba, who scored the decisive spot-kick in the penalty

shoot-out, milked the cheers of the crowd.

Fans cheered, hung from lampposts and sounded horns as the bus passed along the route.

It was the first time that Chelsea have won Europe's biggest club prize and fulfilled the ambition of their oligarch owner Roman Abramovich, who has pumped hundreds of millions of pounds into the club.

The Russian owner and interim manager Roberto di Matteo were onboard as the bus made its way through the streets of south-west London.

While the British press hailed the heroics of Didier Drogba in helping Chelsea

that a German side had "at last" lost on penalties.

"Didi Did It," was the headline in the Sun on Sunday, recounting how Drogba first scored the equaliser in normal time and then stepped up to score the decisive spot kick as Chelsea beat Bayern Munich 4-3 in a penalty shoot-out.

The veteran is out of contract this summer and has yet to agree a new deal with Chelsea, who are reportedly reluctant to offer the striker the two-year extension he is seeking.

Drogba later rejected suggestions that his winning goal might influence his decision to stay at Chelsea.

The tabloid headlined another story simply "Germans lose on penalties" -- hailing the turnaround in fortunes for an English team after decades of losing to Germany in penalty shootouts.

England have lost twice to Germany in penalty shootouts, in the semi-final of the 1990 World Cup and at the same stage of Euro 96.

The papers also said Chelsea and Drogba had banished the bitter memories of

headline in the Sunday Times, below a photograph of Chelsea's jubilant players sprinting to embrace Drogba after he sealed victory in Bayern's own Allianz Arena.

The paper said that if last was 34-year-old Drogba's final match for Chelsea, as seemed likely before the game, then he was "never prepared to go quietly".

"One of the great stories of modern sport is over. Finally," wrote the paper's football correspondentJonathan Northcroft.

"Chelsea's hunt for the Champions League had become as epic as the pursuit of baseball's World Series by the Boston Red Sox, New Zealand's attempt to win back the Rugby World Cup, England's drive to become cricket's world No 1.

"And with all those quests in recent years, there was a happy ending," he added.

Many of the papers also said Roberto Di Matteo had earned the right to move up from caretaker manager to the job full-time -- but most concluded that that was far from a certainty.

Fans also indulged in the quirky ritual of throwing celery at the players; a tradition that began in the late 1980s when the club's supporters started throwing sticks in the air wile chanting bawdy lyrics.

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